

## Threats and Challenges in 2015

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*(items listed in order provided in report)*

	<u>Utility of Missile Defense</u>
Population Trends	
-- aging patterns	no
-- migration	no
-- health and AIDS	no
Natural Resources and Environment	
– Access to food	no
– Access to clean water	no
– Availability of Energy	no
– Environmental Degradation	no
Science and Technology	
– Access to Information Technology	no
– Biotechnology	no
Global Economy	
– Unequal growth and wealth distribution	no
– Response to global economic crises	no
– Education gaps	no
National and International Governance	
– Rise of non-state actors (for-profit and NGOs)	no
– Transnational criminal organizations	no
– Changing communal identities and networks	no
– International cooperation mechanisms	no
Future Conflicts	
– Internal conflicts	no
– Transnational terrorism	no
– Interstate conflicts	no
– Cyber-terrorism	no
– Weapons of Mass Destruction	
– via long-range missile	yes
– via cheaper means	no
– Access to space	no